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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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RE:

H.R. 3651 - Conversation With Steve Nelson

- 1. On 22 January 1988, I discussed H.R. 3651, the "Anti-Terrorism and Arms Export Amendments Act of 1987" with Steve Nelson, Minority Counsel, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI).
- 2. He indicated he had discussed the matter with William Inglee, Minority Staff, House Foreign Affairs Committee and the staff of Representative Berman, the bill's sponsor. He brought to their attention the Agency's concerns with Sections 2 , 7 and 8 (as discussed in my memorandum of 14 December 1987). He indicated they were amenable to resolving those concerns in our favor along the lines of the attached draft amendments which I had previously provided to him.
- 3. Mr. Nelson said he planned to have another meeting on the bill early next week and asked that if we have any further concerns with the bill, we advise him as soon as possible. I said I would review the matter and get back to him.
- 4. With respect to the plans for bill, he indicated that one of the House Foreign Affairs Committee's subcommittees may hold hearings on the bill early in the session and proceed from there. Alternatively, the sponsors might seek to have the bill attached to the Committee's version of one of the big foreign affairs authorization bills. Mitigating against the latter approach, however, was the delay to the authorization bill's progress which could be occasioned by the necessity of gaining the concurrence of those House committees otherwise having jurisdiction over H.R. 3651. It might also be possible to attach it to the Stokes intelligence oversight bill, H.R. 3822, although at present this was not likely.

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